

REMARKS

The remarks below respond to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2005.

Claims 1-3, 6-11, 14, and 21-23 are pending in the application.

With this response claims 11 and 14 have been amended and claim 10 is cancelled.

Claims 1-3, 6-9, 11, 14, and 21-23 remain in the application for consideration.

With the current Response and amendments, all of claims 1-3, 6-9, 11, 14, and 21-23 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

The above claim amendments are submitted with the following remarks to be fully responsive to the Official Action dated July 1, 2005. It is further submitted that this response, filed September 30, 2005, is timely filed within the three-month shortened-statutory period. Accordingly, no fee for an extension of time is believed necessary. Should any additional fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and thereafter notify us of the same.

Reconsideration of all outstanding grounds of the rejection and allowance of the subject application are believed in order and respectfully requested.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. 103

Claims 10 and 11 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ordway in view of Toso and Mann. Claim 10 is cancelled and claim 11 is amended to depend from allowable claim 14, and to thereby overcome the rejection of claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. §103.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-3, 6-9, and 21-23 are allowed.

Claim 14 stands objected to as being dependent on a rejected claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 14 has been amended as supported by the Office Action to include the features of claim 10, upon which claim 14 depends. Amended claim 14 is in condition for allowance.

Claim 11 has been amended to depend from claim 14, and is also believed to be allowable.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned, at the Examiner's convenience, should the Examiner have any questions regarding this communication or the present patent application.

Respectfully Submitted,

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